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High-Profile Information Technology Project Status Report

Department:	Children and Families (DCF)
Project Name:	BRITS
Business Sponsor:	Fay Simonini

Date of Report:	1/1/2018	Reporting for Quarter:	FY18 Q2
Project Start Date:	4/2017	Planned Implementation Date:	6/2020
Estimated Project Cost:	$6,575,000	Amount Provided Through Master Lease:	0

Project Description

The BRITS project aims to modernize the fraud determination screens of the mainframe CARES system. With this modernization, the system will be rewritten in a web-based architecture that will form the foundation of the whole public assistance collections platform, which collected over $12 million in 2016.

Phase I of BRITS was introduced in November of 2016 and has received two minor version updates during 2017 to enhance usability and functionality.

The result of BRITS phase 1 was a baseline referral system to collect, process, and display referrals of potential improper payments and queue them for further investigation. This module serves both DHS and DCF for the programs of FoodShare, Medicaid, Child Care and W-2. The system will be further developed during future phases to address the on-going needs of all programs including collections, OIG functions, and the emerging program integrity business processes. This system, with increased functionality throughout its lifecycle, will serve to raise overall collections through increased claims establishment. The current Phase 2 development effort is focusing on claims creation and collection.

Project Funding –

FED $2,630,000 PR $3,945,000

Project Status – Determine the status for the Schedule and Budget categories below based on the guidelines on the right and described in more detail on page 2 of this document. Insert an X in the column that best describes the status of the category. Add comments for that category as needed. Additional comments are not required if the status is Green, but if a category has a status of Yellow or Red, describe the issues or problems and what actions the agency is taking to address them.		STATUS COLOR INDICATORS
	Green	On target as planned
	Yellow	Encountering **issues** (e.g., Schedule or Budget over by 10% to 25%)
	Red	Encountering **problems** (e.g., Schedule or Budget over by 25% or more)

Project Status Categories	Green	Yellow	Red
Schedule Status The Executive Steering Committee (DHS and DCF leadership) made the decision (October 2017) to move forward with Phase 2 focusing on claims and collections functionality. Enhancements to version 1.1 (deployed July 2017) will be focused on at a later date (TBD) following Phase 2. Phase 2 application development for Claims is in progress.	☒	☐	☐
Budget Status The BRITS actual spend is within 10% of projected spend for first quarter SFY18.	☒	☐	☐

Summarize Any Completed Major Tasks or Project Phases:

Per the Executive Steering Committee (ESC) decision, the focus of the BRITS team has been on development of Phase 2 claims functionality and production support as needed. The ESC continues to monitor for any escalations brought to them during the course of Phase 2.

Summarize Any Significant Project Changes Affecting Schedule, Budget or Scope:

For each change, describe what the change involved, when it was approved, and the reasons behind the approved change.

The project has shifted from strictly new development, to supporting a production product as well as developing Phase 2 which includes claim creation and collection functionality.

Additional Comments or Issues *(optional)***:**

If you have any additional overall status comments about the project (e.g., project news, accomplishments, emerging challenges or risks that could affect the project), please provide them here.

Options to potentially accelerate the implementation date for Phase 2 are being considered by the BRITS Management Team Forum (MTF) for recommendation to the Executive Steering Committee for decision.

Project Status Category Guidelines

Schedule Status
Green – Indicates that the project or phase is on track for the targeted implementation date.
Yellow – Indicates that the project or phase may be falling behind and analysis needs to be done to determine if the project can recover and still achieve the targeted implementation date, or if adjustments must be made to that date.
Red – Indicates that the project or critical tasks have fallen behind schedule, and corrective action must be taken to still achieve the targeted implementation date or that date must be changed.

Budget Status
Green – Currently on target with project budget.
Yellow – Project is over budget by 10 to 25%.
Red – Project is over budget by 25% or more.